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**THIS IS A RESPONSE TO A  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Re: Inventor: Hidetaka ARIMURA, et al.  
Serial No: 10/767,342  
Filed: January 30, 2004  
For: AUTOMATED METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR THE DETECTION OF  
LUNG NODULES IN LOW-DOSE CT IMAGE FOR LUNG-CANCER  
SCREENING

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Notice of Missing Parts  
Filing of Declaration/Declaration

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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**FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)**

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated June 21, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f),  
Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Declaration enclosed herewith contains the following information:

Name(s) of Inventor(s)

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thereby adequately identifying the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP  
Section 601.01.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable  
action is earnestly solicited.

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